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 Title: BLEACHED POLYACRYLIC ACID  
 CROSSLINKED CELLULOSIC FIBERS

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

April 3, 2006

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

This is a request for continued examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application, in which prosecution is closed.

- 1. A submission as required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is submitted as follows. Please consider the Amendment/Response Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 and the Declaration of Kathy A. Welch previously filed on March 3, 2006.
- 2. Other documents enclosed are as follows: Letter to Examiner.
- 3. The filing fee for the present request for continued examination is calculated below. No claims in excess of the number previously submitted are being added.

COMPUTATION OF FEE

	Number Filed After Any Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Basic RCE Filing Fee	-	=	x	=	790
Total Claims	12	- 20	= 0	x 50	= 0
Independent Claims	3	- 3	= 0	x 200	= 0
TOTAL					\$790

- 4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the RCE fee in the total amount of \$790 and any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 03-1740. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the

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filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application.

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